

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A system for providing a flexible, extensible, customizable platform for e-commerce applications comprising:

a customizable presentation framework [[for]]configured to receive receiving data from a server-and-communicating the data to a plurality of extensible modules; a plurality of extensible modules, each module communicatively connected to a software bus and to the customizable presentation framework; and

a software bus communicatively coupled to a plurality of services and configured to provide common access to each of the plurality of services wherein the software bus and the presentation framework operate independent from each other; and, the software bus enabling communication between the plurality of extensible modules and the plurality of services.

a plurality of extensible modules communicatively interposed between the presentation framework and the software bus wherein each extensible module independently receives data from the presentation framework and has independent access to each of the plurality of services via the software bus.

2. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein the server is a J2EE compliant servlet engine.

3. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein the server is a J2EE Enterprise Java Bean application server.

4. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein each module includes a manager object for interfacing with the customizable presentation framework.
5. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of extensible modules includes at least one of an auction module, a catalog module, a pricing module, a negotiation module, a community module, an exchange module, and an order management (OMS) module.
6. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein each module further includes a plurality of fine grain objects, the fine grain objects representing data utilized by the module.
7. (currently amended) The system according to claim 6, wherein the fine grain objects include persistent objects that are consistently used.
8. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein each module further includes a remotable object which interfaces with the software bus.
9. (original) The system according to claim 8, wherein the remotable object includes a stateless session bean.
10. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of services include at least one of data access, notification, internationalization, auditing, reporting, configuration, transaction, query assistant, attachments, exception handling, and security.
11. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of extensible modules may be packaged independently and communicatively connected to the software bus.

12. (original) The system according to claim 11, wherein each of the plurality of modules includes a notification module.
13. (original) The system according to claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of extensible modules may depend upon any other of the plurality of extensible modules for communication with the software bus.
14. (original) The system according to claim 13, wherein each of the plurality of modules includes at least one of a catalog module, a pricing module, an OMS module, and an auction module.
15. (original) The system according to claim 14, wherein the catalog module is communicatively connected to the software bus, the pricing module is communicatively connected to the catalog module, the OMS module is communicatively connected to the pricing module, and the auction module is communicatively coupled to the catalog module.
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